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TAGS: PFOR, YE, FT

SUBJECT: OPPOSING DJIBOUTI DELEGATIONS VISIT SANA

1. IN SHORT STOPS IN SANA LAST WEEK ON FIRST OF SEVERAL  
VISITS TO ARAB COUNTRIES, TWO DELEGATIONS--ONE REPRESENTING  
THE AFFARS AND ONE THE ISSAS--HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH  
YARG OFFICIALS RELATIVE TO FUTURE OF DJIBOUTI AS A  
FRENCH OVERSEAS TERRITORY.

2. AFFAR PARLIAMENTARY DELEGATION, WHILE REITERATING  
WISH TO REMAIN UNDER FRENCH ADMINISTRATION, INDICATED TO  
FONNCN ASNAG EXPLOME INDEPENDENCE ISSUE OF ARAB LEAGUE,  
IN CONSORT WITH OTHER INTERESTED POWERS, PREPARED TO  
GUARANTEE DJIBOUTI'S INDEPENDENCE, TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY,  
AND ECONOMIC VIABILITY. DELEGATION BELIEVED UNDER TACIT  
SPONSORSHIP OF FRENCH EMBASSY.

3. ISSA DELEGATION--COMPOSED OF PROMINENT MEMBERS  
DJIBOUTI ISSA COMMUNITY AND SPONSORED BY SOMALI  
EMBASSY--FOLLOWED CLOSELY ON HEELS OF AFFAR  
COLLEAGUES. DELEGATION WAS LIKEWISE RECEIVED BY  
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FONMIN AND PRESENTED ARGUMENTS FAVORING TERRITORY'S

INDEPENDENCE.

4. COMMENT: WHILE BOTH DELEGATIONS RECEIVED COURTEOUSLY,  
YARG OFFICIALS WERE CLEARLY MORE SYMPATHETIC TO AFFAR  
POSITION. YARG HAS STRONG INTEREST IN SUPPORTING  
MODERATES IN AREA OF SOUTHERN RED SEA/INDIAN OCEAN  
LITTORAL, IN FACE OF WHAT IT SEES AS SPREADING RADICALIZATION  
PROMOTED BY SOVIET UNION AND LATTER'S FRIENDS. IN  
DJIBOUTI YARG'S INTERESTS BEST SERVED BY CONTINUATION  
OF FRENCH PRESENCE. IT APRTICULARLY FEARS SOMALI  
TAKEOVER WHICH WOULD SPREAD PRO-SOVIET INFLUENCE AND  
UNDOUTEDLY FURTHER HARM YEMENI COMMUNITY IN DJIBOUTI  
ALREADY AFFECTED BY RECENT UNREST.  
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